

Standards Review Schedule 2005-2010

In March 2005, the Board approved the Standards Review Schedule (ARM 10.54.2503) to begin July 2005. The Office of Public Instruction (OPI) presents the schedule below.

Standards Review Schedule (modified 10/2007)		
Cycle I	Science	July 2005 – November 2006
Cycle II	Library Media Technology Mathematics (Proposed)	2007-2008
Cycle III	Communication Arts Social Studies Arts Career and Technology Education Workplace Competencies	Proposed 2008-2009
Cycle IV	School Counseling World Languages Health Enhancement	Proposed 2009-2010

Rationale

In 2008, the state Science Criterion-Referenced Test (CRT) will be administered to all Montana students in grades 4, 8, and 10. Because Montana worked with Measured Progress to prepare the Montana CRT in Science, the timing was right for the 2005 review and revision of the K-12 Science Content and Performance Standards. The review ensured that the Science CRT aligned to the most up-to-date Montana standards. In addition, the review process generated not only the Montana K-12 Content Standards and Performance Descriptors for Science, but also produced model K-12 grade-level expectations for science.

Process

- Announce the Standards Review Schedule through official e-mail, MASS Notes, post information on the OPI Web page, and networks of professional education associations;
- Call for nominations from the Montana Pre-K- postsecondary education community and public to participate in the process;
- Conduct focus group discussions to gather information related to K-12 content standards;
- Identify writing team membership and dates for work sessions; and
- Establish inclusive communication plan and public comment process.